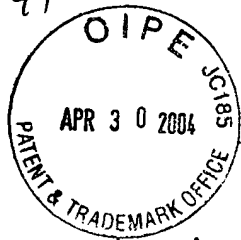


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MOVABLE EXTENSIONS FOR )  
CREATING AN IMPLANTATION )  
SPACE POSTERIORLY IN THE )  
LUMBAR SPINE (as amended) )

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**AMENDMENT**

In reply to the Restriction Requirement dated December 31, 2003, the period for reply having been extended for three months by a request for extension and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, Applicant provisionally elects to prosecute claims 1-121 drawn to Group I. In addition, the following amendments and remarks are submitted:

**Amendments to the Title** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 16 of this paper.

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**Amendments to the Title:**

Please replace the title with the following amended title:

-- DYNAMIC LORDOTIC GUARD WITH MOVABLE EXTENSIONS FOR CREATING  
AN IMPLANTATION SPACE POSTERIORLY IN THE LUMBAR SPINE ~~AND METHOD~~  
~~FOR USE THEREOF--~~.